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**CADET PROGRAM RECEIVES NEW LIFE ACROSS THE NATION**

By Maj Johanna J. Montgomery  
Leadership Officer

Civil Air Patrol, in a desire to keep with the times, has updated its regulation for all things "cadet programs" as of October 1, 2006. After a lengthy period for solicited comments from the field, CAP's leaders recently approved the regulation in its current form at the National Board meeting in Reno, Nevada.

Among some of the latest changes affecting cadets, Squadron 36 members from ages 12 to 20 must now expect the following significant changes:

- Introduction of guidelines for personal conduct
- Authorization for cadets serving as cadet first sergeant to wear the first sergeant diamond insignia
- Clarification of procedures for Category III and IV cadets when requesting milestone awards other than the Spaatz Award.
- Allows units to use a spreadsheet or database in lieu of a CAPF 66.
- Requirement of 2 months (8 weeks) separation between each achievement and milestone award except the Spaatz
- Deletion of the minimum time for completing milestone awards that goes beyond the 60-day separation rule.

*(continued on Page 3)***REID-HILLVIEW AIRPORT DAY 2006**

By Cadet Eric Bergen  
Junior Cadet Element



On September 23, 2006 Reid-Hillview held its 17th annual airport day.

Civil Air Patrol Sq 36 provided staff for the event. We helped with parking, worked at the booths, and provided oversight for our own life-sized replica of John J. Montgomery's 1883 Montgomery Flyer. O-rides and tours of the control tower were available to the visitors.

I enjoyed watching the flying lawnmower and flying Snoopy house radio-controlled aircraft. They were part of a show of radio-controlled planes.

It got very tiring working an air show all day, but it was all worth it. At the end of the day, the airport staff held a barbecue as a "thank you" to the CAP and all the other volunteers.



*(Cadets Needham, Campos, Pepper, and Bergen prepare to post the colors at RHVAD '06.)*



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**CADET HERBERT TAKES TO THE SKIES**

By Mrs. Julie Herbert

Mother to Cadet Matthew Herbert

14-year-old Cadet Matthew Herbert flew two solo flights in a Schweizer 2-32 glider over Labor Day at Hollister Airport. Instructor Ruth Cook, of Hollister Gliding Club (one of the few local glider facilities) says, "Matthew is a natural. He is also among the few select 14 year olds to actually solo nationwide".



Of his experience, Cadet Herbert said, "It is one of the most exciting things I have ever done." Cadet Herbert began his experience in a glider in March 2006 shortly after his 14th birthday.

Minimum age is 14 to begin lessons. He has been flying pretty much every weekend since and logged in a total of 14 1/2 hours. Cadet Herbert developed his love of flying at a very young age. His grandfather, Richard Herbert is a retired pilot. His father, Stanley, is also an aviation enthusiast. Cadet Herbert, an honor student throughout his years at Bret Harte Middle School, hopes to keep up his high level of education standards while at Leland High in order to pursue the Air Force Academy in Colorado upon graduation.

Cadet Herbert will continue his involvement with Civil Air Patrol Squadron 36 in order to learn more about aviation. He plans to continue gliding, even cross country, and then at the age of 16 he can obtain his glider and power pilot licenses. His ambition someday is to fly C-130's, while in the Air Force, which will hopefully enable him to eventually fly for CDF (California Department of Forestry) as a fire bomber pilot.

If you would like more information on glider lesson or rides, contact Cadet Herbert. 



## WHY SO MANY UNIFORMS?


By Lt Col James Sena  
Professional Development Officer

You many have noticed that every time you turn around there is a new uniform that has been approved or a change made to an existing uniform. This is more so for officers than for cadets. Not only have the uniforms changed, but you may notice that some officer membership cards can appear different (for a small fee.)

The reason for the uniform changes and membership card changes is for Civil Air Patrol to stand on its own. We should be known as Civil Air Patrol in its own right, as well as the Air Force's auxiliary when functioning in that particular capacity. We were Civil Air Patrol before the Air Force even existed. After 9-11, Katrina, and the hurricanes in Florida, CAP has leapt into the limelight and are seen as a very professional organization.

As mentioned earlier, officers have the option to choose a photo identification card. However, be aware that the first batch which has already hit the streets is "generation 1" – some small tweaks to improve the cards' quality are already in motion and we can expect to see an even better product in the months to come.

*Just to keep you up-to-date on uniforms, the following change was issued on September 5, 2006, by Major General Antonio J. Pineda:*


"The recent National Board meeting in Reno was a tremendous success. I was quite pleased to see so many members wearing the new Corporate uniform. This uniform allows our members to present a professional image and to be easily identified as members of Civil Air Patrol. Many members had suggestions on how to improve this uniform and after careful consideration I have decided to implement several of these changes. Effective immediately, the U.S. insignia placed on the lapels of the Corporate Service coat will be replaced by the highly polished CAP device. This device will also be added to the epaulet of the black windbreaker, worn centered between the grade insignia and the end of the epaulet. Additionally, the flight cap will no longer be worn with the grade insignia on the right side of the cap and the flight cap device will return to its original placement centered on left side of the cap 1 ½ inches from the front edge. The National Executive Committee will meet in November to finalize these and any other changes deemed necessary." 



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- Requirement for cadets to complete an introductory module for moral leadership during Achievement 1.
- Simplification of the moral leadership requirements, using active participation in one forum per achievement as the standard.
- Deletion of requirement for cadets to serve as recorders and discussion leaders.
- Simplification and clarification of attendance standards for cadets
- Permission for commanders to appoint cadets to the CAC via e-mail.
- Clarification that commanders may remove cadets from CAC due to poor conduct.
- Clarification that squadrons have the option of appointing a representative to the CAC or not.
- Clarification that cadets must complete an encampment before attending a NCSA.

"I have no professional or personal reservations about any of the changes," notes Maj Mike "Monty" Montgomery, Squadron 36's commander. "The updates to (CAPR) 52-16 not only make sense from a nation-wise perspective, but also reinforce the point that things change in life. Our ability to flex with the times makes or breaks how successful we'll be, whether we're 15 or 50 years old."

Cadets have already seen the new cadet program in use, albeit subtly, when taking recent leadership tests for promotion. Civil Air Patrol recently issued new tests for all cadet achievements, which four cadets recently experienced during Squadron 36's first meeting in the month of October. 

## OFFICER UNIFORM CHANGES:

### CORPORATE SERVICE COAT WITH CAP LAPEL DEVICE



### BLACK WINDBREAKER EPAULET



### FLIGHT CAP

(INSIGNIA THE SAME AS WITH AF-  
STYLE UNIFORM)

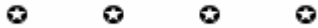




**CAWG COMING EVENTS**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
THESE DATES.**

**MORE DETAILS WILL BE PASSED  
ON AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.**

**FOR CADETS:**

**CADET OFFICER'S BASIC  
COURSE (COBC) NAS  
LEMOORE**

**DEC 26 -31, 2006**

**FOR OFFICERS:**

**SLS/CLC, NORTHERN  
CALIFORNIA**

**JAN 27 -28, 2007**

**FOR EVERYONE:**

**CAWG CONFERENCE,  
DOUBLETREE HOTEL,  
BAKERSFIELD, CA**

**OCT 27 -29, 2006**

**A CADET CHIEF'S VIEW ON THE CORE VALUES**

By Cadet Ken Orvick  
Senior Cadet Element



*"To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity"* (Douglas Adams). I once asked myself how should I live my life; what will I do with it? Though I still do not know what I want to do in the future, four words came to my mind: Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, and Respect. These CAP core values have influenced my life greatly having been like a motto to which I can always look to when I try to model what I should be. The quote by Mr. Adams embodies all four in that you cannot truly volunteer without sincerity and integrity. I have always tried to live by these values and I hope to continue to do so throughout my life.

## IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO DREAM

By 2d Lt Jacoba Sena  
Public Affairs Officer

Dreams are often seen as the prerogative of youth. As young people, we dream about our futures: our careers, our families, our pastimes. Becoming a pilot is often one of those dreams. I, too dreamed of flying when I was young, but never had the opportunity to pursue that dream. Many things got in the way: school, raising a family, work. The dream, however, never died. It just faded into the background.



*Coming in for a landing. The exhilaration of that first solo.*

**CADETS, KEEP ON DREAMING...**  
**OFFICERS, KEEP ON DREAMING...**

**WE'RE NEVER TOO OLD TO MAKE**  
**THOSE DREAMS COME TRUE.**

*The sweet taste of triumph. Back on the ground after a successful flight.*



Now, many years later, and definitely no longer a youngster, I am finally pursuing that dream. Back in February, I began ground school, and in March I started my active flight training.

On September 13<sup>th</sup>, I marked the first milestone in my flight training: my first solo. Words are hardly adequate to describe the feeling: a mixture of excitement, trepidation, and sheer joy!

My training continues, and I hope to complete my certificate later this year. 🌟

## PRESIDENT, MILITARY LEADERS DEDICATE AIR FORCE MEMORIAL

by Staff Sgt. Julie Weckerlein  
Air Force Print News

<http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123029178&page=1>

10/14/2006 - **WASHINGTON** --

On behalf of a grateful nation, the President of the United States accepted the Air Force Memorial in a dedication ceremony here attended by military leaders of the past and present, political and business representatives and thousands of ordinary citizens and Airmen alike.

"A soldier can walk the battlefields where he once fought," said President George W. Bush. "A Marine can walk the beaches he once stormed, but an Airman can never visit the patch of sky he raced across to defend freedom. And so it is fitting that from this day forward, the men and women of the Air Force will have this memorial."

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney McKinley spoke at the event, saying he was deeply honored to be a part of it. He reflected on the Airmen who serve today, and their connection to the dedicated Airmen who served in the past.

"We have the most powerful air, space and cyberspace force in the world," he said. "This is a long overdue tribute to all those who are a part of this ongoing cycle of dedicated and talented Americans who service in the Air Force."

The ceremony ended with a demonstration from the Thunderbirds, who buzzed the crowd before doing the bomb-burst formation, which inspired the design of the three-spires of the memorial.

"We commemorate today the courage of the men and women who were the Air Force blue," said President Bush. "We remember those who gave their lives for their fellow Americans. We mourn their loss, we pray for their families and we consecrate their legacy here today."

## WELCOME TO MAJOR STEVE SILVER... NEW CAPRAP

By 2d Lt Jacoba Sena  
Public Affairs Officer

On Tuesday evening, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we had the pleasure of meeting and welcoming the new CAPRAP, Maj Steve Silver. The CAPRAP (The Civil Air Patrol Reserve Assistance Program) is a position that provides an opportunity for USAF Reserve Officers and airmen to serve as USAF Liaison representatives to the Civil Air Patrol. CAPRAP members advise, assist and motivate members of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP), the USAF volunteer auxiliary, in all areas of its mission.

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## SCHEDULE

**NOTE:** Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings and activities will begin and end at Squadron 36's regular meeting location.

**NOTE: ITEMS IN RED FACTOR INTO CADETS' ATTENDANCE RECORDS.**

**NOTE: ITEMS IN BLUE ARE FOR CAP OFFICERS ONLY.**



*The "Who's Who" of the USAF and CAP are here, along with their biographies!*

<http://sq36.cawg.cap.gov/keyfigures.html>



*Squadron 36 congratulates the following members for accomplishments since our last newsletter!*



**Maj Mike "Monty" Montgomery**  
Mission Observer



**2d Lt Jacoba M. Sena**  
Solo (Powered Aircraft)



**Cadet Matthew Herbert**  
Solo (Glider)

## October 2006

October 3, 2006

**October 5, 2006**

October 10, 2006

October 17, 2006

**October 21, 2006**

October 24, 2006

**October 27-29, 2006**

October 31, 2006

## November 2006

November 7, 2006

November 14, 2006

November 21, 2006

November 28, 2006

*Cadets*

Start Class: Squadron Commander Inspections – all cadets. Middle and End Class: Senior Element, Ch. 3 (Role of the NCO), Junior Element, Ch. 1 (Drill Movements.) Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

**CAP OFFICER STAFF MEETING: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Start Class: ES – all cadets. Middle and End Class: Flight Sims – all cadets. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

Start Class and Middle Class: PT, all cadets. End Class: AE, all cadets. BDU or CAP equivalent for classes; workout attire for PT. **NO PT IN BDUS!**

**ACTIVITY: Hollister Airport Field Trip.** We will visit the CDF (California Department of Forestry) Firebomber base, Hollister Gliding Club, and some private hangars with interesting airplanes. Leaving Reid-Hillview at 9AM, returning around 3PM. Lunch at the Ding-A-Ling Cafe at the airport. Parents and siblings welcome.

Start Class and Middle Class: Moral Leadership, all cadets. End Class: Flight Time – CAP Opportunities, all cadets. BDU or CAP equivalent.

**ACTIVITY: CAWG Conference @ Bakersfield. Submission Deadline Details, Payment Information, and Lodging Information may be located here:**

<http://www.cawg.cap.gov/cawg2006.htm>

**NO MEETING – ENJOY THE NIGHT OFF (SAFELY!)**

Start Class: Counter march, all cadets. Middle Class: Senior Element, Lead. 4 (ABC's). Junior Element, History for CAP. End Class: Follow-up (quizzes) Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

Start Class: ES, all cadets. Middle and End Class: Flight Sims – all cadets. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

Start Class and Middle Class: PFT, all cadets. End Class: AE (Model Airplanes), all cadets. BDU or CAP equivalent for classes; workout attire for PT. **NO PT IN BDUS!**

Start Class and Middle Class: Moral Leadership, all cadets. End Class: Flight Time – promotion status, all cadets. BDU or CAP equivalent.



## SOME THOUGHTS ON LEADERSHIP

By Capt Michael A. Hodges  
Deputy Commander

*(Editor's Note: Capt Hodges will be acting as commander during Maj Montgomery's absence.)*



Leadership is defined as 'the art of influencing and directing people in a way that will win their obedience, confidence, respect and loyal cooperation in achieving a common objective.' Every cadet in our squadron knows (or should know) this definition by heart – this passage is one of the many tools CAP uses to help you define your training experience.

Leadership truly is an art. If it were a science, with predictable, certain formulas to produce exactly the same results every time, it would be much easier to teach it to people who wanted to lead. It is not science, however, because every human being is different, and every situation a leader finds themselves in has its own unique challenges. For example, every person enters the CAP cadet program with a different background – different ideals, different attitudes, different standards. It's a real function of leadership, both from more experienced cadets and officers to bring everyone 'on the same page' early in their cadet career so that they can learn what we have to teach.

But it's more than that – it's developing the ability to get and hold people's attention in a way that does not have them unwilling to follow you. It's developing the skills and attitudes necessary to take a job on and see it through, regardless of the obstacles. It's learning how to bring others along by helping them to recognize that they are part of something bigger than themselves and have a vital role to play.

As you move through your career, the skills you learn early on become more and more important. You will, eventually, come across someone whom you don't necessarily get along with on a personal level. How you deal with it will require you to fall back on your training, and your understanding of the mission you've been given to accomplish. Every personal conflict that interferes with the mission is an obstacle to be overcome, and the sooner, the better.

Finally, Why Leadership? Leadership is important because it provides organizations the ability to do what they set out to do. It doesn't matter much what the organization does—as long as there are leaders in place who understand the what, the why, and the how, the organization will be able to continue doing its job. 🚀



Friends...Maj Monty here... Rest assured; my break from CAP is not the result of my having won the lottery, punishment for having done cartwheels in the parking lot, or anything in between. *(Although there was a brief period of jury duty mixed in with my break from CAP...)*

I asked our group commander for a temporary break in order to focus on some non-CAP issues that, frankly, rate pretty high in my own personal life. Squadron 36 should be in good hands with our deputy commander and I urge each of you to do some things for me during the interim:

1. Give Capt Hodges your support during my absence; service to CAP and to each other doesn't stop (or wane) just because Capt Hodges is sitting in my "chair" for the next several weeks. The adage, "when the cat's away, the mice will play" doesn't apply to CAP...mostly because cats and mice are not allowed any form of membership per CAPR 39-2.
2. Take advantage of the opportunity to see CAP through a different commander's eyes. Most may not recall that Capt Hodges was a cadet when the Wright brothers were teenagers; so pump the man for some stories and experiences!
3. If you've come to take CAP for granted and then see something that was good not happening (in a timely manner or, not at all), then what can you do about it to keep things good while the commander is absent? Sometimes each of us forgets how much personal responsibility we have to make Squadron 36 a great place...and sometimes we may rely upon one person too much without realizing it.

Best wishes to all; stay safe and I'll see you at the end of November! 🚀



**THINKING CAP**



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**For Parents and Families**